(3) To minister to the needs in the meantime, a hot whether allowance enough for engaging a full-time servant to fetch water from a distance has been sanctioned.

(g) Yes. Please see answer to (f) above.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—When was the first report received by the Government from the Headmistress?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—It came as early as 1105.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—May I know how much the adjoining compound will cost approximately?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—I think it is roughly worth Rs. 2,000 and odd.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—When is this scarcity of water experienced?

Mr. I. N. Menon.—During the summer months, from somewhere about the middle of Makaram till the closing of the school.

Mr. A. Sankara Poduval.—I think good water is available in the Hospital compound.

Mr. I. N. Menon.—The hospital compound is quite away from the school. We have made provision for carrying water from the Hospital compound to the school.

Eroor-Trippunittura canal question.

107. Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(1) what action has been taken by them to give relief to the flood-stricken areas in Eroor, Nadama, Karingachira, etc., since the discussion of the question in the last budget session of the Council;

(2) whether the Government has decided where the canal is to be opened;

(3) if they have not settled where it ought to be, the reason for the delay?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(1) The scheme is under investigation by the P. W. D.

(2) No.

(3) This can be settled only after the investigation is completed by the P. W. D. in all its details.

Mr. P. Raman Menon.—For how long was this investigation going on?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—I think for the last one month.

Mr. P. Raman Menon.—May I know the reason for the delay for starting the investigation?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—We have got a limited staff in our irrigation department and they have got other pressing works.

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Mr. P. Raman Menon.—When do you expect to complete it?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Before the next monsoon period, i. e., in Edavam.

Mr. P. Raman Menon.—Can anything be done before the next monsoon in pursuance of the report?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—I do not think that the actual work will be taken before the end of this year.

Lump sum grant for rural uplift—allotment given to Panchayat Department.

108. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.**—Will the Government be pleased to state—

(1 what they have done with the one lakh of rupees sanctioned for the benefit of rural uplift in honour of the visit of Lord and Countess Willingdon to Cochin;

(2) what portion of the amount is given to the Panchayat Department;

(3) has the Director of Public Health requested the appropriation of the whole amount by his department?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—(1) and (2). Government have not passed final orders on the distribution of the lakh of rupees.

(3) The Director of Public Health suggested that the amount may be utilised to open maternity welfare centres.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—With reference to sub-division (3) why do you want the whole of one lakh?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The Government have not yet received the detailed report from the Director of Public Health.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Did he suggest that the whole amount should be used for that purpose?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—He suggested that the money may be spent for opening maternity welfare centres.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—Since it is for rural health and since the Panchayat department is doing this work nor will the Government consider the desirability of distributing at least a portion to the Village Panchayats?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—They will be considered when final orders are passed.

Income from lands from Depressed Classes of Mulavukad, etc.

109. മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. പി. വള്ളോൻ.—(a) മുളവുകാട് നിവാസികളായ അധഃകൃത നിവാസികൾക്ക് വേണ്ടി അകപ്പെടുത്തിക്കൊടുത്തിട്ടുള്ള സ്ഥലം ആരെ ഏല്പിച്ചിരിക്കുന്നു;—

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